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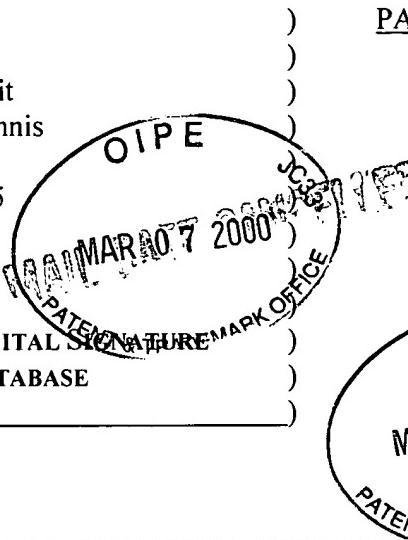
PATENT APPLICATION

Inventor(s): Ho Wing Sit  
Tony F. Kinnis

SC/Serial No.: 09/451,575

Filed: November 30, 1999

Title: **INTEGRATING A DIGITAL SIGNATURE SERVICE INTO A DATABASE**



DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if one name is listed below), first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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the specification of which (check applicable ones):

- is filed herewith;
- was filed with the above-identified "Filed" date and "SC/Serial No." 09/451,575
- was amended on (or amended through) \_\_\_\_\_.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of the application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code

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(1) Date: 2/3/00

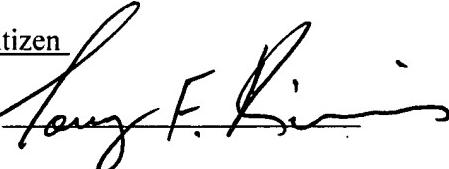
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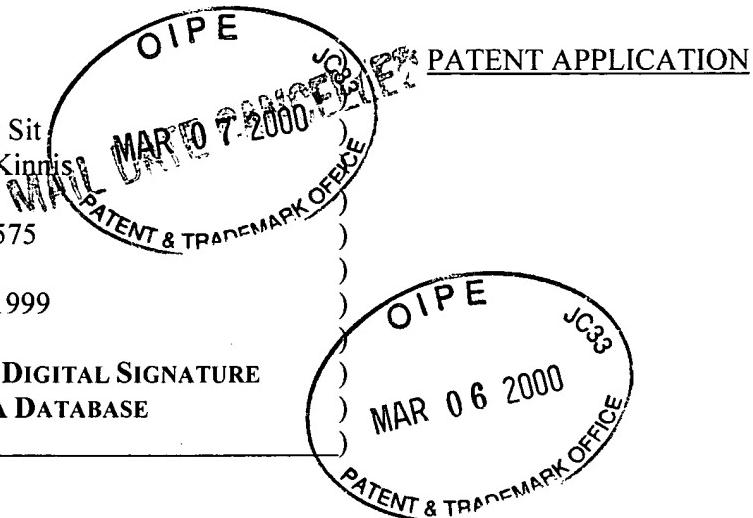
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STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
37 C.F.R §1.9(f) AND §1.27(c) - SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

I hereby declare that I am:

- An official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below.

Name: Ho Wing Sit

Entity: OpenData Systems

Address: 5900 Hollis Street, Suite G, Emeryville, California 94806

I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 C.F.R. §121.12, and reproduced in 37 C.F.R. §1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35 U.S.C. in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third-party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified below with regard to the invention identified by the above TITLE and INVENTOR(S), and described in:

X the Specification filed herewith  
the Application having the above SC/Serial No. 09/451,575 and Filed November 30,  
1999.  
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If the rights held by the above-identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed below\* and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who could not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 C.F.R. §1.9(c) or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 C.F.R. §1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 C.F.R. §1.9(e).

NAME:

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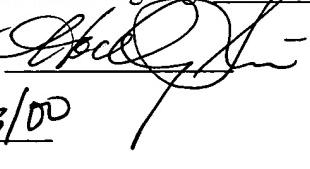
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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small business entity is no longer appropriate. (37 C.F.R. §1.28(b)).

Name of Person Signing: Ho Wing Sit

Title of Person Signing: President and Chief Executive Officer

Address of Person Signing: 5900 Hollis Street, Suite G, Emeryville, California 94806

Signature: 

Date: 3/3/00

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\* Note: Separate statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 C.F.R. §1.27).